GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2091
ANSWERED ON:12.03.2001
CLEARANCE TO MUMBAI WATER SUPPLY PROJECT
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Maharashtra Government has requested the Union Government for granting environmental clearance to Mumbai (Middle Vaitarna) Water Supply Project ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether the Union Government have accorded clearance to the above project;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor ; and

(e) the time by which the said proposals is likely to be cleared ?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a)(b)(c)&(d) Yes, Sir. The proposal was considered by the Expert committee on 8th April 1997 and additional information on Rehabilitation & Resettlement of Project affected persons, catchment area treatment, impact on wildlife due to underground tunneling through Tansa Wildlife Sanctuary was sought. An incomplete reply was received in January, 1998. Further clarification soughton 11th February, 1998 has not been received so far.

(e) A final decision on clearances of project proposals is taken within 90 days of receipt of complete information.